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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously
presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

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3. (Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the branched polyacetal copolymer (A) is prepared by a copolymerization of 100 parts by weight of trioxane (a), 0.001 to 10 parts by weight of a monofunctional glycidyl compound (b-1) and 0 to 20 parts by weight of a cyclic ether compound (c) which is copolymerizable with trioxane.
 5. (Amended) The composition according to claim 3, wherein the monofunctional glycidyl compound (b-1) is selected from the glycidyl ether compounds represented by the following